

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>CRIMINAL NO. 09-</b> _____
<b>v.</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>DATE FILED: <u>March 26, 2009</u></b> _____
<b>KENNETH HAMPTON</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>VIOLATIONS:</b>
<b>PEREE HAMPTON</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>18 U.S.C. § 371 (conspiracy to</b>
<b>VIRGO KIDD</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>manufacture and transfer counterfeit</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>currency - 1 count);</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>18 U.S.C. §471 (manufacturing</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>counterfeit currency with intent to</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>defraud - 1 count)</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>18 U.S.C. §472 (possession of counterfeit</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>currency with intent to defraud - 1 count)</b>
	<b>:</b>	<b>18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)</b>
	<b>:</b>	

**INDICTMENT**

**COUNT ONE**

**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:**

1. From in or about December 2008, until on or about February 26, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere, defendants

**KENNETH HAMPTON,  
PEREE HAMPTON, and  
VIRGO KIDD**

conspired and agreed, together with others known and unknown to the grand jury, to commit offenses against the United States, that is, to: (a) falsely make, forge, counterfeit, or alter obligations or securities of the United States, that is, counterfeit currency, with intent to defraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 471; and (b) buy, sell, exchange, transfer, receive, or deliver forged, counterfeited, or altered obligations of the United States, that is counterfeit currency, with the intent that they be passed, published, or used as true and genuine,

in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 473.

### **MANNER AND MEANS**

It was a part of the conspiracy that:

2. Defendants PEREE HAMPTON and KENNETH HAMPTON agreed to use the residence of defendant PEREE HAMPTON at 5750 Spruce Street in Philadelphia to manufacture counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes (“FRNs”).

3. Defendants PEREE HAMPTON and KENNETH HAMPTON obtained chemicals to bleach the ink from genuine \$5 and \$1 FRNs.

4. Defendants PEREE HAMPTON and KENNETH HAMPTON obtained genuine \$100 FRNs and electronically scanned their images.

5. Defendants PEREE HAMPTON and KENNETH HAMPTON obtained genuine \$5 and \$1 FRNs and had others, including defendant VIRGO KIDD, obtain such genuine FRNs on their behalf.

6. Defendants PEREE HAMPTON and KENNETH HAMPTON bleached the ink from genuine \$5 and \$1 FRNs and printed the scanned image of a genuine \$100 FRN on the genuine paper they obtained from bleaching genuine \$5 and \$1 FRNs.

7. Defendant KENNETH HAMPTON provided counterfeit \$100 FRNs to other persons, including defendant VIRGO KIDD, to purchase merchandise and obtain change as though the counterfeit FRNs were genuine.

8. Defendant KENNETH HAMPTON was sometimes paid for the counterfeit FRNs at a discount from their face value and sometimes received the merchandise and change that was obtained in exchange for the counterfeit FRNs.

## OVERT ACTS

In furtherance of the conspiracy and to accomplish its objects, defendants KENNETH HAMPTON, PEREE HAMPTON, and VIRGO KIDD committed the following overt acts, among others, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere:

1. In or about January 2009, at the direction of defendant KENNETH HAMPTON, defendant VIRGO KIDD obtained approximately \$450 worth of genuine \$5 and \$1 FRNs from a bank in Philadelphia.

2. On or about February 14, 2009, defendant KENNETH HAMPTON gave defendant VIRGO KIDD approximately 10 counterfeit \$100 FRNs.

3. On or about February 14, 2009, defendant VIRGO KIDD traveled with Person No. 1, a person known to the grand jury, to retail establishments in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. During this trip, defendant KIDD used four of the counterfeit \$100 FRNs that defendant KENNETH HAMPTON gave defendant KIDD to purchase merchandise and obtain change. Defendant KIDD returned the remaining counterfeit \$100 FRNs along with the merchandise and change to defendant KENNETH HAMPTON.

4. On or about February 21, 2009, defendant VIRGO KIDD traveled to defendant PEREE HAMPTON's home and met with defendant KENNETH HAMPTON. At this meeting, defendant KENNETH HAMPTON gave defendant KIDD approximately 14 counterfeit \$100 FRNs.

5. On or about February 21, 2009, defendant VIRGO KIDD traveled with Person No. 1 to Chester County, Pennsylvania, with the approximately 14 counterfeit \$100 FRNs to purchase merchandise and obtain change.

6. On or about February 21, 2009, defendant VIRGO KIDD entered a Radio Shack store in Parkesburg, Pennsylvania, and attempted to purchase a DVD cleaning kit with a counterfeit \$100 FRN.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

**COUNT TWO**

**THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:**

From in or about December 2008 to on or about February 26, 2009, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

**KENNETH HAMPTON and  
PEREE HAMPTON,**

with intent to defraud, falsely made, forged, counterfeited and altered obligations and securities of the United States, and aided and abetted the making, forging, counterfeiting and altering of obligations and securities of the United States that is, at least approximately \$8,000 in counterfeit FRNs, by bleaching out features of genuine \$1 and \$5 FRNs and printing the image of \$100 FRNs on the genuine paper of the \$1 and \$5 FRNs.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 471 and 2.

**COUNT THREE**

**THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:**

From in or about December 2008 until on or about February 26, 2009, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

**KENNETH HAMPTON and  
VIRGO KIDD,**

with intent to defraud, possessed, passed, attempted to pass, and concealed, and aided and abetted the possession, passing, attempted passing, and concealment of falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$2,400 in counterfeit \$100 FRNs.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 472 and 2.

**A TRUE BILL:**

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**FOREPERSON**

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**LAURIE MAGID**  
**United States Attorney**